

5. The negle'cters of sacrifice, contending -
with

' the saorificers, ISTDBA, fled, with
averted faces*

IKDBA, fierce, unyielding, lord of steeds? (they
dis-
appeared,) when thou didst blew.the
disregarded of
religion from off the heaven? and earth,
and sky.

6. (The adherents' of YEITRA) encountered
the Taiga n.
army of' the. irreproachable (!NDRA) : men of
holy
lives encouraged liim.^a Scattered before
him, con-
scious (of their inferiority}, like, the.
emasculated
contending with'men, 'they fled by
precipitous paths.

7. Thou hast destroyed them? INDRA,
whether
•weeping, or-laughing, on tke furthest verge
of the
sky; thou -hast consumed the robber,
(having '
dragged Mm) from heaven^ and "hast
received the
praises of the worshipper, praising thee and
offering
libations.

•8. Decorated with gold, and jewels^
they were
spreading over the circuit of the earth;
but, mighty
as they were, they triumphed not over
INBEA : he
dispersed them with the (rising) sun.^b

the next verse, *ayqfwdnak*, non-saerlfleers, in
contrast to the *yaj-*
w&nah or sacrificers; here, apparently, also
identifying the fol-
lowers of *Vritra* with races who had not adopted,
or were'hostile

to, the ritual of the *Vedas*.

^a *EjsMfayo navagwdh*, men whose practices were commendable. Or the ^f men,' it is said, may be the *Angfrcua**, engaged in offering libations to *Indra* for nine months, in order to give him courage.

^b We revert, here, to the allegory. The followers of *Vritra* are, here, said to be the shades of night, which are dispersed by the rising of the sun: according to the *Brahmana*,
^u Verily, the sun, when he rises in the east,' drives away the